Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling an apparatus having an emergency alert function, comprising:

detecting a power interruption to said apparatus;

determining an estimate of the duration of said detected power interruption;

comparing said estimate of the duration of said detected power interruption to a predetermined threshold;

enabling an output to notify a user responsive to detecting said power interruption;

responsive to a determination that said estimate of the duration of said detected power interruption exceeded said predetermined threshold, enabling a user to provide updated information comprising location information associated with the emergency alert function responsive to detecting said power interruption.

2. (Cancelled)

and

- 3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said updated information comprising location information includes a FIPS location code.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said updated information includes a type of emergency event.
- 5. (Cancelled)
- 6. 10. (Cancelled)

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11. (Currently Amended) An apparatus having an emergency alert function, comprising:

tuning means for tuning signals including emergency alert signals capable of activating said emergency alert function; and

processing means for:

detecting a power interruption to said apparatus;

determining an estimate of the duration of said detected power interruption; comparing said estimate of the duration of said detected power interruption to a predetermined threshold;

enabling an output to notify a user responsive to detecting said power interruption; and

responsive to a determination that said estimate of the duration of said detected power interruption exceeded said predetermined threshold, enabling a user to provide updated information comprising location information associated with the emergency alert function responsive to detecting said power interruption.

- 12. (Cancelled)
- 13. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein said updated information comprising location information includes a FIPS location code.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein said updated information includes a type of emergency event.
- 15. (Cancelled)
- 16. 20. (Cancelled)

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21. (Currently Amended) A television signal receiver having an emergency alert function, comprising:

a tuner operative to tune signals including emergency alert signals capable of activating said emergency alert function; and

a processor operative to:

detect a power interruption to said television signal receiver;

determine an estimate of the duration of said detected power interruption;

compare said estimate of the duration of said detected power interruption to
a predetermined threshold; enable an output to notify a user responsive to detecting
said power interruption; and

enable a user to provide updated information comprising location information associated with the emergency alert function responsive to detecting said power interruption responsive to a determination that said estimate of the duration of said detected power interruption exceeded said predetermined threshold.

- 22. (Cancelled)
- 23. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 21, wherein said updated information comprising location information includes a FIPS location code.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The television signal receiver of claim 21, wherein said updated information includes a type of emergency event.
- 25. (Cancelled)
- 26. (Cancelled)
- 27. 30. (Cancelled)